

Oregon Administrative Rules

Chapter 603, Division 22 – Department of Agriculture

Table 1

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Quality factor	AA Quality	A Quality	B Quality
Shell	Clean  Unbroken Practically normal.	Clean  Unbroken Practically normal.	Clean; to slightly stained.  Unbroken May be abnormal.
Air Cell	1/8 inch or less in depth.  May show unlimited movement and may be free or bubbly.	3/16 inch or less in depth.  May show unlimited movement and may be free or bubbly.	3/16 inch or more in depth.  May show unlimited movement and may be free or bubbly.
White	Clear  Firm	Clear  May be reasonably firm.	Clear  May be weak and watery.
Yolk	Outline slightly defined.  Practically free from defects.	Outline may be fairly well defined.  Practically free from defects.	Outline may be well defined.  May be definitely enlarged and flattened. May show serious defects.

Table 2

Minimum number of cases comprising a representative sample

<b>Cases in lot:</b>	<b>Cases in Sample</b>
1 case	1
2 to 10, inclusive	2
11 to 25, inclusive	3
26 to 50, inclusive	4
51 to 100, inclusive	5
101 to 200, inclusive	8
201 to 300, inclusive	11
301 to 400, inclusive	13
401 to 500, inclusive	14
501 to 600, inclusive	16

Table 3

Summary of U.S. Consumer Grades for Shell Eggs

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U.S. Consumer Grade Origin	Quality Required <sup>1</sup>	Tolerance Permitted <sup>2</sup>	
		Percent	Quality
Grade AA	87 percent AA	Up to 13 Not over 5 checks.	A or B <sup>5</sup>
Grade A	87 percent A or better	Up to 13 Not over 5 checks <sup>6</sup> .	B <sup>5</sup>
Grade B	90 percent B or better	Not over 10 checks.	

U.S. Consumer Grade Destination	Quality Required <sup>1</sup>	Tolerance Permitted <sup>3</sup>	
		Percent	Quality
Grade AA	72 percent AA	Up to 28 <sup>4</sup> Not over 7 checks <sup>6</sup> .	A or B <sup>5</sup>
Grade A	82 percent A or better	Up to 18 Not over 7 checks <sup>6</sup> .	B <sup>5</sup>
Grade B	90 percent B or better	Not over 10 checks.	

<sup>1</sup> In lots of two or more cases, Table 2 of this section for tolerances for an individual case within a lot.

<sup>2</sup> For the U.S. Consumer grades (at origin), a tolerance of 0.50 percent leakers, dirties, or loss (due to meat or blood spots) in any combination is permitted except that such loss may not exceed 0.30 percent. Other types of loss are not permitted.

<sup>3</sup> For the U.S. Consumer grades (destination), a tolerance of 1 percent leakers, dirties, or loss (due to meat or blood spots) in any combination is permitted, except that such loss may not exceed 0.30 percent. Other types of loss are not permitted.

<sup>4</sup> For U.S. Grade AA at destination, at least 10 percent must be A quality or better.

<sup>5</sup> For U.S. Grade AA and A at origin and destination within the tolerances permitted for B quality, not more than 1 percent may be B quality due to air cells over 3/8 inch, blood spots (aggregating not more than 1/6 inch in diameter) or serious yolk defect.

<sup>6</sup> For U.S. Grade AA and A Jumbo size eggs, the tolerance for Checks at origin and destination is 7 percent and 9 percent, respectively.

Table 4. Tolerance for individual case within a lot

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U.S. Consumer Grade	Case Quality	Origin (percent)	Destination (percent)
Grade AA	AA (min)	77	62
	A or B	13	28
	Check (max)	10	10
Grade A	A (min)	77	72
	B	13	18
	Check (max)	10	10
Grade B	B (min)	80	80
	Check (max)	20	20

Table 5

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Oregon Weight Classes for Consumer Grades for Shell Eggs

Size or Weight Class	Minimum Net Weight Per Dozen	Minimum Net Weight Per 30 Dozen	Minimum Weight for Individual Eggs at Rate Per Dozen
Jumbo	30	56	29
Extra Large	27	50 ½	26
Large	24	45	23
Medium	21	39 ½	20
Small	18	34	17
Peewee	15	28	----